

Avalanche

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THE Central Drug Store

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GRAYFORD AVALANCHE



Tramp Unable to See Idea of Wasting Pie
A tramp called at a motion picture studio, begging for something to eat. The director, who was not in the mood to give him anything, told him to go. The tramp, however, was not to be deterred. He went back and brought a large pie with him. He then proceeded to eat it, much to the amusement of the studio staff.

LOCAL NEWS

English Castle Once Had Merman Prisoner
A curious legend is associated with the historic English castle of Bamburgh. It is said that in the year 1013, a merman was captured and imprisoned in the castle's dungeons. The merman was said to be a powerful and intelligent creature, and his capture was a great feat for the castle's defenders.

United States Merito
The Latin phrase "Merito" has become a popular expression in the United States. It is often used to describe a person who has achieved a great feat or who has been successful in a particular endeavor. The word is derived from the Latin word "mereri," which means "to deserve."

Building America
America would have been discovered by Christopher Columbus, but there could have been no United States had it not been for the efforts of the men who built the nation. These men were the pioneers who risked their lives and fortunes to create a new world.

Australias Emblem
The Australian flag is a blue ensign with a white seven-pointed star in the upper left canton. The star represents the Southern Cross constellation. The flag is a symbol of the Australian people and their nation.

Miss Loretta McDonnell
Miss Loretta McDonnell, who is teaching at Fenton, is home for the holidays. She is a young woman of great talent and is well-known for her accomplishments in the field of education.

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Commerce Boomed by Methods of Counting
For ages even the most intelligent man could count only to ten or twenty. Then came the invention of the abacus, and then the invention of the printing press. These inventions revolutionized the way in which we count and record numbers, leading to a boom in commerce and industry.

Small Girl's Centres
The late Marcus Loew, the movie magnate, is said to have been especially fond of small girls. He was known to give them large sums of money and to treat them to the best of everything. His generosity towards children was one of the reasons for his popularity.

Why Father Incurred Present-Day Mothers
We may ask at once why fathers incurred the wrath of present-day mothers. The answer is simple. Fathers were often absent from the home, leaving the mothers to raise the children on their own. This led to a breakdown in the traditional family structure.

Caustic Criticism of Present-Day Mothers
The present-day mother is often the subject of caustic criticism. She is accused of being over-protective, of being too concerned with her children's material well-being, and of being too concerned with her own appearance. These criticisms are often unfounded, however.

The Rose
The rose is a flower that has been loved and admired for centuries. It is a symbol of love, beauty, and passion. The rose is also a symbol of the transient nature of life, as it is a flower that blooms and then fades away.

Hats Broken Wealth
The hats of the rich and famous are often the subject of gossip and speculation. These hats are often made of expensive materials and are often designed by famous hat designers. They are a symbol of wealth and status.

Jews and Samaritans
The Jews and Samaritans were two of the most important groups in the ancient world. They were both descended from the same people, but they had different beliefs and customs. They were often at odds with each other, but they also had many similarities.

Two Close
The two closest friends in the world are often the subject of much speculation. They are often people who have known each other for many years and who have shared many experiences together. They are often people who are very different from each other, but who have found a way to understand and love each other.

Exiles Build Old Church
A church of the Middle Ages has been built in a dark, narrow street in Paris. It is a church that has been built by exiles, and it is a church that has been built in a place that has been forgotten by the world. It is a church that is a symbol of hope and faith.

Modern Sun Worship
Moderns who worship the sun do it in a way that is very different from the way in which the ancients worshipped the sun. They do it in a way that is more scientific and more rational. They do it in a way that is more in line with the beliefs of the modern world.

Yam! Yam!
Any man who does not like Yam! Yam! is not a man. Yam! Yam! is a word that is used to describe a man who is a man. It is a word that is used to describe a man who is a man.

Pay For Curiosity
A person who is curious about the world around him is a person who is a person. He is a person who is a person. He is a person who is a person.

Wait and See
The phrase "wait and see" is often used to describe a person who is waiting for something to happen. It is a phrase that is used to describe a person who is waiting for something to happen.

Aspirations Beginning
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Grayling City Telephone Co.

—Extends to all patrons and to the citizens of Crawford County the Season's Greetings and wish you all a most prosperous New Year.

F. P. CLARK, General Manager.

DIPPING INTO SCIENCE

What is a Light Year?
A light year is a unit of distance, not of time. It is the distance that light travels in one year. Light travels at a speed of about 186,000 miles per second. In one year, it travels about 5.88 trillion miles.

New Cardinal Manager

The new cardinal manager of the Grayling City Telephone Co. is Mr. F. P. Clark. He has been in charge of the company for many years and has been very successful in his work.

Japanese Art

Japanese art is a very beautiful and interesting art. It is a art that has been developed over many centuries. It is a art that is very different from the art of the West.

MICKIE SAYS—

What has become of the old-fashioned merchant whose goods were not advertised? He has become a thing of the past. He has been replaced by the modern merchant who advertises his goods in every way possible.

British Royal Succession

The British royal succession is a very interesting subject. It is a subject that has been the subject of much speculation and debate. It is a subject that is very important to the British people.

Double and Darkness

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Want Ads

HELP WANTED—Telephone operator wanted at once. Call or phone 913. Grayling City Telephone Co.

FOR SALE—Dining-table, buffet and bench set. Mrs. Walter J. Motte.

WANTED—A horse to keep for the winter or will buy if price is right. Terms. William Ellis, Route 1, Roscommon, Mich.

FOR SALE—One word heater at one hard coal heater. Both in first class condition. Phone 113-R, Roy Holmberg.

STRAYED—To my place, 1 Shop-shire Inn, Et. Feldhauser, Star Route No. 1, Grayling, Mich.

FOR SALE—Several houses and lots for a business place. Located on U. S. 27. Also blacksmith shop on U. S. 27. Inquire of O. P. Schumann, administrator. Palmer Estate.

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Howard and Gladys Wheeler are visiting their cousin Irene LaSpreng of Lewiston.

Mr. Will Mortenson went to Saginaw for the holidays with his sister Mrs. Adelbert Alderson.

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Perhaps the most acceptable present of the thousands given here last Monday, was received by Geo. Melton, whose wife presented him with a nine pound son. Mother and child are doing nicely, and "Geo." is regaining his usual equanimity.

Mrs. Ralla Brink was given a happy Christmas by the presence of her mother, Mrs. P. C. Smith, and her brother, Mr. J. J. Smith, of Bay Port. While all were glad, especially little Alice, that both grandmas were present as well as grandpa Brink.

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Crawford Grange P. of H. No. 334 at their last meeting elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Master—John L. Hannas.

Overseer—Lewis Parker.

Secretary—Perry Ostrander.

Treasurer—Mrs. Anna Harrington.

Steward—John Shively.

Chaplain—Elmer Ostrander.

Transfer—John Harrington.

Ass't Steward—Herbert Parker.

Gate Keeper—Mr. John Shively.

Ceres—Katie Waldron.

Pomona—Mrs. Henry Moon.

Florida—Miss Nellie Corwin.

Maple Wood Arbor, Gleaners, No. 1020, at their last regular meeting

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WHAT ABOUT YOUR DEFERRED PAYMENTS?

By Erwin Greer (President Greer School of Electrical and Automotive Trades, Chicago, Ill.)

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Charges exacted by one finance company may be twice as much as those asked by another company, amounting from \$50 to \$112 more. A cheaper automobile may actually cost its buyer more in the end than a higher priced car, when higher finance rates are charged on deferred payments.

Here's an example: every car buyer or owner to remember when he investigates the price of a new car. Take one selling for \$1,200, with a third down payment and the rest to be paid in twelve months. One finance concern will charge \$127.12 for handling these deferred payments. The lowest reliable rate in the industry, Studebaker shows, is \$63.50 or just half that much.

The excess might buy bumpers, a motorometer and a spare tire.

Even the finance charges on a used Ford, exacted by one company, may cost \$15 more on a deferred balance of \$200 than the charges on a used car handled under another finance plan.

This financing business is of much more importance to the car buyer than he ordinarily understands. List prices on automobiles deceive, when finance charges far exceed the amount a buyer should be expected to pay.

This is important: Charges asked by one dealer often exceed the extra allowance that dealer will make on a used car.

Balance of \$25 or \$50 in allowance on a used car. Often the buyer takes the larger allowance without realizing he will pay it all back—and more—in excess finance charges.

What appears to be a low rate often does not contain fire and theft insurance coverage. Or the rate of interest may be applied to the entire cost of the car during the full twelve months, in spite of the fact the buyer pays as much as half the price at delivery and reduces the amount due month by month.

Bookplate That Are Prized by Collectors

A bookplate is a typographical or pictorial label, used to denote the ownership of a book. Bookplates are considered to have had their origin in Germany, though an unsupported claim has been made that they were used in Japan in the Tenth century, and certain small clay tablets are believed to have performed in Babylon and Assyria an office similar to that of the bookplate of today. The earliest printed bookplate we know of was used about 1480. From Germany the use of the bookplate spread to France and finally to all continental countries. The bookplate first used in America were of English make, brought over by the wealthy Colonists. They possess great interest as memorials of the old families; but the plates engraved by the hands of our first American engravers, Nathaniel Hurd and Paul Tetter of Boston, Amos Doolittle of Connecticut and Alexander Anderson, easily surpass them in value. The earliest date on an American bookplate by an American engraver is 1740, on the Thomas Dering plate engraved by Hurd.

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A brighter or more pleasant Christmas day than last Monday could not well be imagined. The sleighing was perfect, and the mercury just at freezing point so it could be comforted and enjoyed, and the spirit of the time seemed to pervade the community.

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The excess might buy bumpers, a motorometer and a spare tire.

Even the finance charges on a used Ford, exacted by one company, may cost \$15 more or a deferred balance of \$300 than the charges on a used car handled under another finance plan.

This financing business is of much more importance to the car buyer than he ordinarily understands. List prices on automobiles deceive, when finance charges far exceed the amount a buyer should be expected to pay.

This is important: Charges asked by one dealer often exceed the extra allowance that dealer will make on a used car. Many dealers hang on a balance of \$25 or \$50 in allowance on a used car. Often the buyer takes the larger allowance without realizing he will pay it all back—and more—in excess finance charges.

What appears to be a low rate often does not contain fire and theft insurance coverage. Or, the rate of interest may be applied to the entire cost of the car during the full twelve months, in spite of the fact the buyer pays one-third when taking delivery and reduces the amount due month by month.

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Bookplates That Are Praised by Collectors

A bookplate is a typographical or pictorial label, used to denote the ownership of a book. Bookplates are considered to have had their origin in Germany, though an unsupported claim has been made that they were used in Japan as the Tenth century, and certain small clay tablets are believed to have performed in Babylon and Assyria an office similar to that of the bookplate of today. The earliest printed bookplate we know of was used about 1490. From Germany the use of the bookplate spread to France and finally to all continental countries. The bookplate first used in America were of English make, brought over by the wealthy Colonists. They possess great interest as memorials of the old families; but the plates engraved by the hands of our first American engravers—Mathewlisth and Paul Keyser of Boston, Amos Doolittle of Connecticut and Alexander Anderson, easily surpass them in value. The earliest date on an American bookplate by an American engraver is 1739, on the Thomas Dering plate engraved by Hurd.

Tests Show Dog Has No Sense of Colors

Perhaps the most interesting development of experiments in Russia is the discovery that the dog is practically color blind. It knows red from green or black from brown, "it is only because of its instinctive difference in the brightness of the two objects." In general, his sense of sight proved to be inferior to that of man for though the dogs used in the laboratory were more keenly alive to motion than their human competitors, their vision for still objects was much fainter.

Dr. J. C. Warden and L. H. Warner, psychologists of Columbia university, proved that a dog's sense of smell is superior to that of man, a fact generally admitted. A German shepherd dog, for example, was able in every instance to pick out a small piece of pine wood that had been handled by his keeper even when the contact was only of two seconds' duration and the wood block was placed among 20 others that had not been touched.

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Devil's Hoof Marks

Not every one has heard of the devil's hoof marks, which excelled Devonshire and all England in the middle of last century—or the Berberangs of Ceylonian Sulu. The former were curious tracks in the snow over large tracts of country. The scientists of that time gave various explanations, many of them very dogmatic, but the country folk of the West were satisfied that the devil himself was abroad on that snowy night. Lieutenant Commander Gould of the Royal Geographical society in "Oddities, Some Unexplained Facts," published by Philip Athol, advances the theory that the trail might have been made by some unknown marine creature.

Record Hailstones

Doctor Hutton, a German meteorologist, mentions a hailstone that probably holds the record. He says, "In the hail occurring in Austria (Styria and Carinthia) in early July, 1807, there fell hailstones weighing 1 kg. (2.2 pounds) or more." He adds that the largest hailstones are known to fall in subtropical latitudes, especially where the land rises somewhat above the level of the sea. In upper India, Mesopotamia, Asia Minor (especially Armenia), Australia, Natal and in the middle and southern parts of the United States there occasionally occur frightful hailstorms.

Man and Lower Animals

Horses do not smoke nor eat meat, yet they suffer from hardening of the arteries. This is a conclusion of the French Society of Comparative Pathology, which is devoted to the study of diseases in man and animals.

Further, animals suffer from emphysema and chronic rheumatism, hitherto thought peculiar to man. No is his liability to insanity an indication of man's intellectual superiority the society having recorded cases of madness in animals and even of voluntary intoxication on substances which inebriate them.—Kansas City Star

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Persian Rug Designs

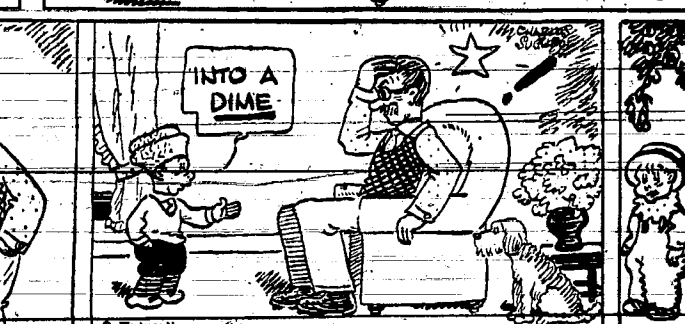
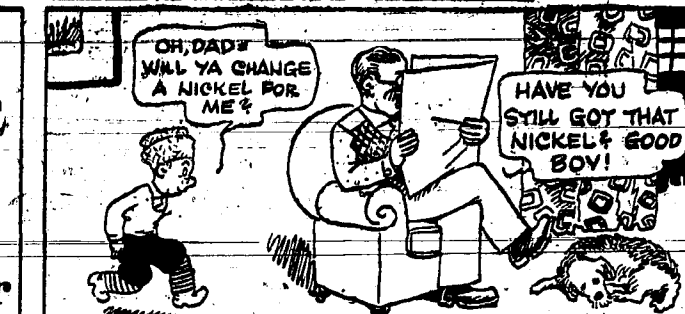
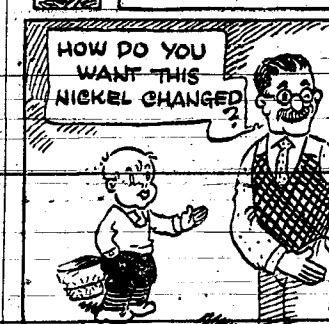
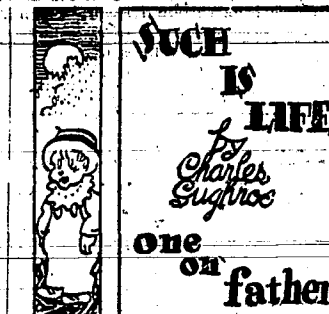
In regard to significance of designs authorities on oriental rugs say that the rug itself typifies the universe, and the various designs the ever-changing course of life. The principal colors, if red, typifies life or victory; if blue, royalty; if white, purity; if green, devotion, and if black evil. In patterns the swastika means good luck; the flower and knot, fortune and life everlasting, and the circle, immortality. The star of six points represents Allah.

Responsible for Italics

The first printer to use italics was Aldo Manuzio, the Venetian printer of the fifteenth century. It is said that he took as his model the hand writing of the poet Petrarch.

Poor Advertising

It's almost impossible to advertise too much. And yet we are beginning to avoid a certain man who is always advertising his shoes and shoes—Atlantic Globe.



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YOUTH AND AGE

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

"Hello, young boy," the conductor said to me as he recognized my face when I was getting on to the train. "You look like a young fellow."

Now I know very well that I was looking anything but like a young boy. It is as difficult to simulate youth when one is past middle age as it is for youth to simulate maturity.

I liked his greeting. It at least suggested that I had not quite reached senility, that there was still some life and activity in me. We all dislike admitting that all semblance of youth has disappeared.

I was fifteen, as I now remember, tall and very slender, but badly muscled, when Mr. Corrington visited us. Mr. Corrington was a man of experience and of financial standing. He had traveled a good deal. He had seen much of the world, he had made a tremendous business success, and we all valued his judgment upon whatever subject he chose to express himself. We listened when Mr. Corrington spoke.

"How old are you?" he asked me one day after watching my movements for a time.

"Fifteen," I replied.

"You look older," he said. "I should have thought you seventeen at least." He could not have said a more pleasing or flattering thing to me.

I was eager to be grown up. I wanted most of all to be thought a man. The most humiliating thing which could happen to me was to be spoken to as if I were a child. Seventeen, he said I looked. I drew myself up and threw my shoulders back. I was out so far from manhood as I had feared.

Why is it that when one is old nothing so pleases him as to be thought young, and that when one is young there is nothing which so flatters him as to be thought mature and sophisticated?

Young people of today more than any other young people I have known want to be thought experienced, and sophisticated. The young have always despised youth and have done their best to conceal it or to evade its limitations and its restrictions, but never so eagerly as they try today to deny its inexperience. Nothing pleases a college boy more than to call him "old man"; nothing gives him greater irritation than to indicate to him that after all he is still a good deal of a child even though he may have seen twenty years.

He wants to be grown up; he wants to be wise; he is not satisfied with youth.

And so old age looks back and longs for what it does not have. Mrs. Gould, wrinkled and stoop-shouldered at seventy-five, dresses like a young girl of sixteen, wears cotton stockings and shoes with French heels which pinch her feet almost beyond human endurance.

She rouges her cheeks and pencils her eyebrows all with the hope that people will think her young. I have seen her wearing a wig the last time I saw him to conceal his bald head, and Connor is dying his gray hair a shiny black. Youth and age each envies the other.

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Evers Back With Braves

Johnny Evers, former star second baseman of the Cubs and Braves, has been signed by Judge Puckett of Boston Braves to assist him in the management of the Hub National league team. This means that Evers will run the team from the field, and Puckett from the bench.

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When a London Fireman Gets Married

L. Sutherland is a member of the vanguard fire brigade of London, England, and when he was married the other day all his comrades turned out to help. The photograph shows Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland sitting in the wedding breakfast and one of the brigades pieces of apparatus.

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BEGINNING OF NEW YEAR OF FORTUNE TIME TO BEGIN THE SAVING HABIT

(By S. W. Strauss, President American Society for Thrift.)

What will the new year, on the threshold of which we now stand, mean to you in the way of personal advancement?

In a general way, the answer to this question will depend upon your willingness to adhere to the principles of thrift. Occasionally, one may hear the statement made that the old-fashioned idea of saving money for the purpose of getting ahead has gone out of style. The great book of human experience, however, does not relate such a story. It was through saving that such men as Carnegie, Wanamaker, Hill, Pullman, Armour, Marshall Field, Rockefeller and others of that school, who were at the head of their activity and usefulness at the beginning of the present century, laid the foundations of their future success. In the

beginning of the new year, the book of experience tells us that Gladstone, Lincoln, Washington, Franklin, Jefferson owed their success fundamentally to patient habits of thrift acquired in early life.

Habit is a tremendously important thing. Habitual saving in the years of youth will develop habits of frugality which, no matter how prosperous we may become in later years, will be of incalculable benefit. On the other hand, the habit of easy spending is a dangerous thing to cultivate in youth or at any time in life. It weakens the judgment, leaves the individual unprepared for emergencies and unready for opportunities.

The frailties of human nature make it easier always to yield to the temptation of spending than to resist. As Roosevelt once said—the spending habit rots character. No one can hope to go through life without meeting obstacles and the development of habits of economy fortify one to conquer circumstance. How can one ever hope to possess a sturdy will if the habit of non-resistance has become definitely implanted in one's routine of life?

No better time can be found than the present for self-appraisal. If you have been drifting along without getting ahead, regardless of how old or how young you may be, you can take no better step than the firm resolution to make 1929 a period of thrift for you. If you do this you can at this time next year look back with feelings of high satisfaction and increased self-respect.

Listen to the Barber

A man with the whiskers of a life time went to sleep in a barber's chair and woke up minus his whiskers. The moral is, listen to the barber.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Heavy Loss From Rust

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Hat of Brown Velvet

These are the most popular hats of brown velvet with a daisy-like crown attached in the center. The daisy-like crown is cut off at the front to form a frame for the face. A twisted brown-and-lan-pin is used as an ornament.

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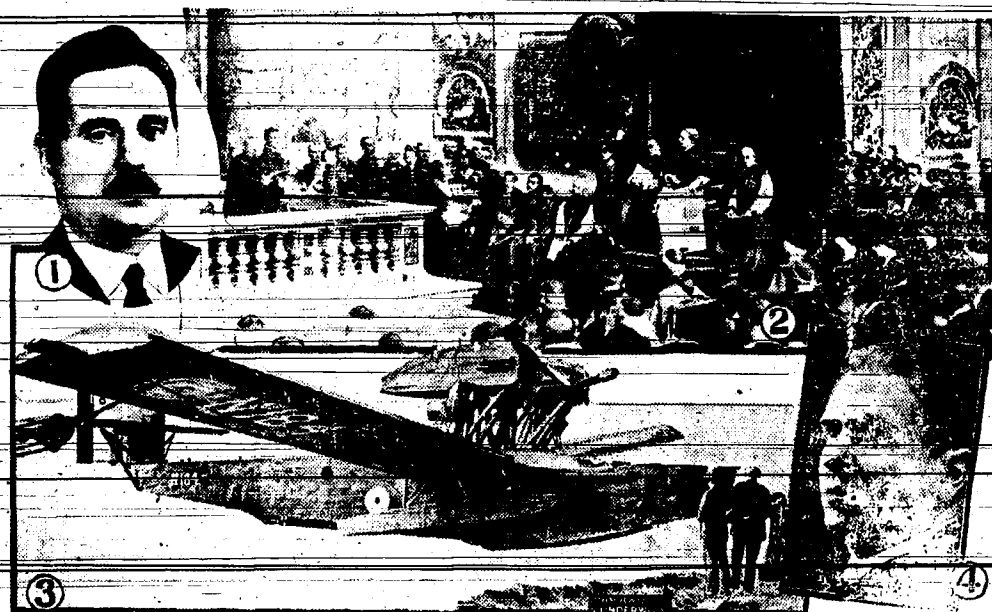
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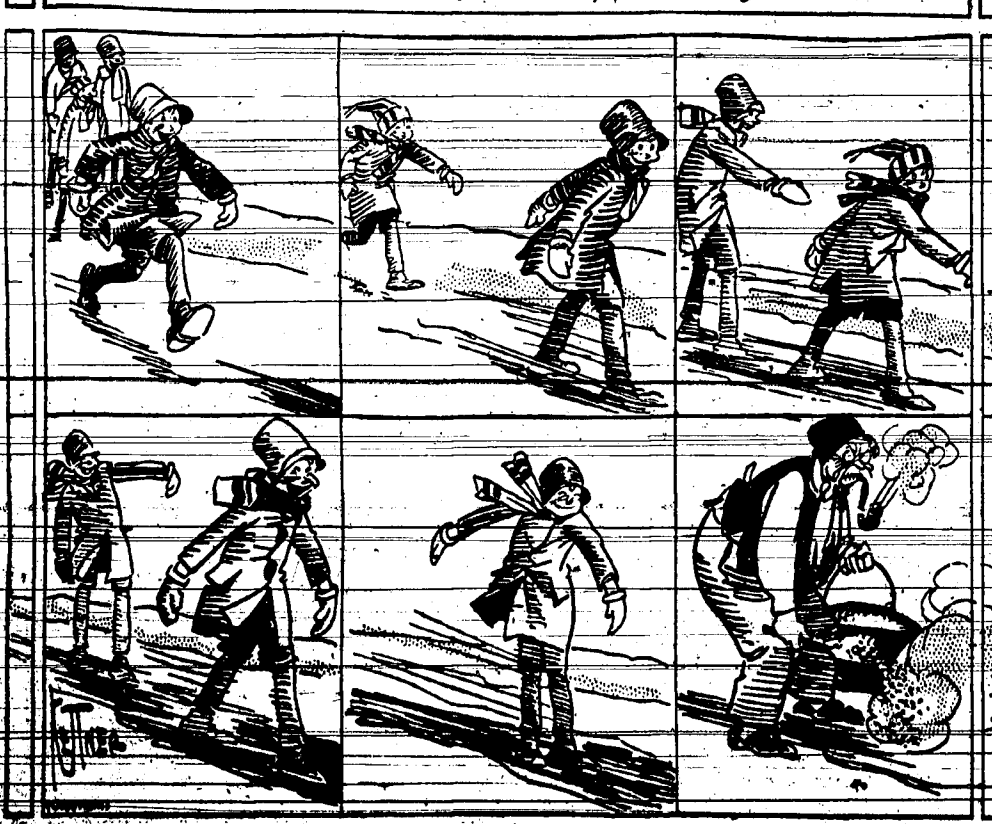
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1—Dr. Jose P. Guegueri, President of Paraguay. 2—Pope Pius at dedication of monument to Pope Benedict XV in the basilica, St. Peter's in Rome. 3—First all-metal flying boat ever built in England launched at Dartmouth. 4—Dr. Hernandez Siles, President of Bolivia.

The End of a Perfect Day



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Local Happenings

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1929

Edward Mayotte of the Avalanche force visited at his home in Lansing over Christmas.

Axel Peterson of Detroit visited his mother Mrs. Andrew Peterson over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McKinley enjoyed Christmas with their son Ray and family at Gaylord.

Miss Elsie Erickson of Ann Arbor visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sorenson over Christmas.

Miss Lillian Meston of Flint spent the holidays visiting her mother Mrs. Andrew Meston.

Hjalmar Mortenson spent Christmas in Flint visiting his sister Mrs. Frank Barker and brother Clarence Mortenson.

Miss Margrethe Jensen came up from Grand Blanc and spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adler Jorgenson.

Herman Hanson came home from Flint Christmas morning to spend a couple of days visiting his mother, Mrs. Hansine Hanson.

Elmer Jorgenson arrived from Detroit Saturday to remain until New Year's day visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Jorgenson.

Alfred Johnson of Detroit was guest of Paul Hendrickson Christmas day. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jan Johnson of Iron Mountain.

Mr. and Mrs. William McNeven and daughter Nadine spent Christmas in Flint guests of their daughter Mrs. Harry Reynolds and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Sorenson and family are returning home today after spending Christmas in Grand Rapids visiting Mrs. Sorenson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Johnson Sr. for a whole day to do the job.

Take your prescriptions to the Central Drug Store.

Miss Virginia Hanson, who is attending school in Chicago, is spending the holiday vacation visiting her father, T. W. Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Boening and son Richard spent Christmas in Traverse City. Mr. Boening is manager of the local A. & P. meat market.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Smith and little daughter Betty Jane and Mr. Clifton Eddy, of Lansing were Christmas guests of Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McNeven and family.

Miss Genevieve Montour, who is employed in the clerical department of the Michigan Artificial Ice Company of Ann Arbor, was home over Christmas visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Montour.

Herman Blomster of Bay City, who was employed at the duPont here at the time it was in operation, comes back to Grayling each Christmas to shake hands with old friends. He was making his annual calls Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Zalsman had the pleasure of entertaining for Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Tilk, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lydell of Grayling, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mills and son Lloyd of Traverse City.

T. P. Peterson, Adolph Peterson, Axel Peterson, Emil Niederer and their families, all drove to Johannesburg on Christmas and spent the day with the Guy Peterson family. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hanson drove up for the evening.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy O. Milnes over Christmas were the former's brother, Eno Milnes of Chicago Heights, and his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McInnis of Detroit. The gentlemen have remained home while Mrs. McInnis will remain for a couple of weeks visit.

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Greetings!

A Happy New Year

Grayling 5c to \$1.00 Store

W. W. Lewis spent Christmas with his family in Lansing.

Matt Blavia of Detroit spent Christmas at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Easman of Flint are visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Menno Corwin came home from Detroit to remain over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Marius Hanson entertained fourteen guests at dinner on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gillett spent Christmas in Bay City, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hiss.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Goss of Fenton were Christmas guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lovely.

Miss Mildred Corwin is home from Lansing for the holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Corwin and family.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dixon on December 14th a daughter, Sarah Leona.

Ruth Chamberlain returned to Detroit Tuesday night, after spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Peter Larson.

The A. J. Trudeau family and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brown are enjoying new Maesic radios, purchased of Frank Tetu.

Miss Ingeborg Hanson was home from Detroit Saturday until Tuesday noon, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Biggs left Saturday morning to spend two weeks with their daughter Mrs. Forrest D. Barber and family at Durand.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Hanson enjoyed having as their guests over Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hanson, daughter Betty and son Neil of Detroit.

Miss Anna Nelson was home from Grand Rapids to spend Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nelson returning Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziebell enjoyed having as their Christmas guests their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Catlin. They arrived Saturday remaining until Tuesday night.

Miss Viva Hecoli arrived last week to spend several days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Hecoli. Miss Hecoli is a graduate nurse of the Owosso Memorial hospital and practices her profession in that city.

Mrs. Celia Granger enjoyed having her daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. Paul Granger as guests over Christmas. They arrived Saturday remaining until Tuesday night.

Also her son George is home from Michigan State College for the two weeks holiday vacation.

Miss Colette Smith spent Christmas at her home in West Branch and on her return Tuesday was accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith who came up to see their new grandson, Frank X. Tetu III. Mrs. George Smith was also in the party.

Don Reynolds is feeling good over winning second prize in the sales contest on washing machines recently for his firm, Michigan Public Service Co. The contest covered practically all of northern Michigan. A \$10 check greeted him in his Christmas mail Tuesday.

Very pretty in its appointments was the Christmas party at which Misses Margrethe and Olga Nelson were hostesses last Thursday evening. A brilliantly lighted Christmas tree graced the living room, where the guests indulged in a number of contests, in which Misses Margrethe Hemmingson, Ingeborg Hanson and Ruth McNeven were the lucky winners. A delicious lunch was served in the center of the table being a large box filled with gifts, one for each guest. It was a very enjoyable affair.

The Danish Lutheran church celebrated the Yuletide with a special service on Christmas Eve at 4:00 o'clock followed by services on Christmas morning. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion, with Christmas trees and red and white streamers, the Danish colors. In each window burned a tall red taper, tied with a green streamer. Neils Neilson made a star of Bethlehem, which he donated to the church to add to its decoration. Rev. Kjolhede had a nice message for his congregation and the choir rendered special music on the occasion.

Paul Hendrickson is home from Fort Wayne, Ind., where he is a student in the Anthony Wayne Institute, taking a business management course. Besides keeping up in his work he says that he earns enough by work to pay his living expenses and still has time to represent his school as a forward on their basketball team. "Haven't lost a game" this season," he says. Paul always was an industrious fellow and has it in him to become a competent business manager for some firm. As a basketball player he has an unusual record for shooting baskets and played a star game at Grayling high last season.

Lloyd and Steven Jennings came home from Detroit to spend the week between Christmas and New Year's with their mother, Mrs. E. A. Jennings and grandmother Mrs. Mary Derry. Also Mrs. Jennings' daughter, Mrs. Walter Shaw, husband and son Marion of Detroit were here over Christmas, dividing their time between the Jennings and Shaw homes and at their cottage down the river. Marion left Christmas night for the Naval training school at Great Lakes and expects to be sent out immediately but does not know whether he will go east or west. The Walter Shaws also had their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Kiefer and daughter Ellen and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wahl of Detroit.

All of the teachers have gone to their respective homes for the holiday vacation. Miss Helen Lewis at Gaylord; Miss Norma Burdette, Manistique; Miss Edith Hoosier, Kalkaska; Miss Helen Ettee, Shepheard; Miss Eva Dorr, Gratiot; Miss Margaret Fyvie, McMillan; Miss Theresa Lindstrom, Soo; Miss Louisa Sibley, Ishpeming; Miss Evelyn Van-Dyne, Mt. Pleasant; Miss Clara Dago, Northport; Miss Doris Quackenbush, Algonac; Miss Ruth Richardson, Alma; and Charles Hill, Ypsilanti. Supt. and Mrs. Roland Bogue are spending the holidays in Kalkaska and Mr. and Mrs. LaVere Cushman are in Mt. Pleasant. Miss Hazel Cassidy is enjoying her vacation in Grayling and Miss Vella Hermann left yesterday to spend a week in Lansing.

Dr. C. R. Keyport is having an attack of the flu.

A. J. Joseph and family enjoyed a visit from his brother Sam Joseph of Detroit over Christmas.

John Bruun enjoyed having as his guest over Christmas Elmer B. Schoenleben of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. McCutough left the fore part of the week to spend Christmas in Detroit.

Hubert Babbitt is home from Flint for the holidays visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben S. Babbitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Shaw of Detroit are spending the holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Shaw.

Guests at the C. B. Johnson home for the holidays are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bosworth of Bay City and Carl Johnson.

Miss Quackenbush and her Glen Club sang some pretty Christmas carols on our streets one evening the last of the week.

Miss Ruby Steinhilber who is employed in Toledo visited over Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Steinhilber.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Trudeau and little son of 18 months spent Christmas at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Trudeau.

Miss Eleanor Schumann is home from Grand Rapids for the holiday vacation visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Schumann.

Two cord loads of soft wood slabs delivered, \$5.00. Two cord load hard wood slabs delivered, \$6.00. Phone 37. Grayling Mant. Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cripps and family have gone to Lansing to visit relatives over the holidays and may remain there indefinitely.

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Wescott and daughter Miss Helen of Ypsilanti are holiday guests of Mrs. Wescott's mother, Mrs. J. K. Hanson.

Peter Rasmussen is in at his home. His son Elmer came up from Saginaw and spent a couple of days with his parents the last of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hansen are entertaining their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Campbell of Mt. Pleasant over the holidays.

The youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Edlund, who resides down the river was brought to Mercy Hospital Friday suffering with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gross of Detroit visited over Christmas with relatives here, guests at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Swanson.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Matthews are happy over the arrival of a son on December 22nd, who came to their home just in time to be numbered among their Christmas gifts.

Mrs. Florence Warren came up from Detroit Monday night to spend Christmas with her daughter, Miss Margaret Warren and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tromble.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin E. Cramm of Toledo and Florence Duryen of Detroit arrived this afternoon to spend a few days visiting the Shewey family and Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Laurant.

Mr. and Mrs. James Carriereau and children of Jackson are spending the holidays visiting Mrs. Carriereau's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Carriereau and sister Mrs. Frank Sales and husband.

Mrs. Signa Rasmussen of Detroit spent Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jens Ellerson. Other guests at the Ellerson home were Mr. Ole Wium and another gentleman.

Many of the Danish children and their parents and friends enjoyed the annual Christmas party at the Dannebrog hall last evening. As usual there was a Christmas tree with dancing and singing around it by the young people. Rev. Kjolhede told a Christmas story and Mrs. Kjolhede had a few words of greeting for all, the evening closing with the usual coffee and lunch.

Word from Escondido, Calif., or rather a clipping from the Times-Advocate of that city reports the death of a one time Grayling resident, Mrs. Esther A. Loonis, who probably would be better known by the name of Mrs. O'Dell. The deceased was 62 years, 9 months and 4 days old and the cause of death was the after effects of the flu, she passing away at a hospital in that city on December 18th. The family left Grayling over 20 years ago. The deceased is survived by her husband, W. C. Loonis, and one son Emory O'Dell, who will also be remembered by Grayling people, and who is now a resident of Escondido. Mr. Emory O'Dell resides at 823 S. Nutmeg St., that city.

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The Quality Store

Mrs. Olive MacLeod of Bay City was home for Christmas.

Sheriff Bobenmyer is able to be out again after a siege of the flu.

Howard Herrick was home from Flint visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Herrick over Christmas.

Alfred Johnson, son of Sam Johnson, former residents of Grayling, and now of Detroit, came Sunday to spend Christmas and a few days with his friend Paul Hendrickson.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hermann left Wednesday for their home in Lansing after spending Christmas with their parents, Mrs. Anna Hermann and Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bates. Miss Vella Hermann returned with them to be their guest for a week.

Misses Grace Hall of Gladstone and Alice Landvall of Manistique, former teachers here but now holding positions in Lansing, were in Grayling last Friday enroute to their homes for the holiday vacation. They were joined here by Miss Norma Burdette.

Midnight mass at St. Mary's church over Christmas was largely attended and the church was filled with many standing. The church altars were beautiful with pine boughs and insect symbols of the yuletide most gracefully arranged for this day of all days. Rev. J. L. Culligan had a fine Christmas message for his congregation and the choir, which is a new organization beautifully rendered the hymnal part of the service. There were a large number of communicants.

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ALFRED HANSON, Township Treasurer.

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NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Bolivia and Paraguay Take Mediation Instead of War Over Gran Chaco.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

BOLIVIA and Paraguay decided not to have a war over the disputed Gran Chaco district, the great relief of the Western hemisphere and the League of Nations. Paraguay was the first to agree that the quarrel should be submitted to the special mediation committee of the Pan-American conference in session in Washington, and after a little hesitation Bolivia followed suit. The latter republic, however, asked that the inquiry be confined to the first place to the attack on Fort Vanguardia without involving in the preliminary inquiry the questions at the bottom of the dispute, which have been entrusted to arbitration within the procedure established by the Argentine suggestion of December, 1927, and which was accepted by both countries.

The mediation committee, headed by Dr. Victor Maurtua of Peru, got busy at once, and sent communications to both governments asking them to outline the type of mediation machinery they would like to have set up. Both governments were asked if they would agree to withdraw troops from the border zone and if they wished to sign a protocol ending the fighting. A spirit of friendliness and cordiality pervaded the committee's conference room. Dr. Eugenio Ayala, Paraguayan delegate to the conference, and Diego Medina, the Bolivian minister, both of whom had attended the first meeting, walked away arm-in-arm.

While, as said above, the League of Nations council has rejected the peace move, it was disappointed because the South American republics did not submit their differences to Geneva, for this was a chance to show the power of the league despite the Monroe Doctrine. However, the council claimed the credit for having prevented the threatened warfare. Paraguay stopped its mobilization measures, though the enrollment of volunteers continued. The formation of the Bolivian coalition war cabinet was completed, to be ready for emergencies.

PROHIBITION enforcement was the topic of hot debates in both the senate and the house of representatives last week while the Treasury department appropriation bill was up for action. Senator Bruce, the enforcer of Maryland, declared the government should make "one honest effort" to make the Volstead law effective, and since Prohibition Commissioner Dorn had declared this would require at least \$300,000,000 annually, Bruce moved to increase by \$270,000,000 the \$13,500,000 originally voted by the house for prohibition activities. The Marylander had a long speech prepared, and in order to shut him off, his amendment was accepted without a vote. It was certain the conference would knock this out, and it did, re-instating the house figures. The conference report was adopted by the senate by a vote of 35 to 35 after a lot more lively interchanges of opinions and recriminations, and next day the house also accepted it, without a roll call vote. The Democratic dry leaders made capital out of the admitted fact that prohibition enforcement has been a failure during the last seven and one-half years.

Comparatively smooth-going for the Kellogg anti-war treaty in the senate was assured when the committee on foreign relations voted, 14 to 2, in favor of the pact, agreeing that the resolution of Senator Moses of New Hampshire interpreting the treaty should be reported simultaneously but without recommendation. Moses eliminated from his resolution all its provisions except the following:

"That the treaty does not impair or abridge the right of the United States to defend its territory or other vital interests in accordance with its traditional American policies.

"That the treaty imposes no obligations on the United States to resort to coercive or punitive measures against any offending nation.

"That the treaty does not obligate the United States to the conditions of any treaty to which the United States is not a party."

Senator Hale, chairman of the naval committee, tried to get action on the administration cruiser bill, but was blocked temporarily by the "small navy group," who threatened an "extensive debate" amounting to a filibuster.

ROY O. WEST, the new secretary of the interior, was subjected to a severe cross examination by the members of the senate committee on public lands before it voted, not quite unanimously, to recommend that the senate confirm his appointment. Mr. West's professional and financial past and his reputed connections with Samuel Insull, public utilities magnate, were the matters given chief consideration. Senator Hyde, chairman of the committee, continued his opposition to the appointment, although he admitted that none of the charges advanced as grounds for its rejection had been substantiated.

Congress adjourned Saturday until January 5 for the holiday recess.

THAT unlucky submarine, the S-4, which carried forty men to their deaths a year ago, has been reconditioned and is being used for experimental work with safety devices. Last week it was sunk 55 feet to the bottom of Salt Pond at Block Island, N. H., and was then brought to the surface by the use of new apparatus. The raising, however, was too slow to suit the navy's experts so the test was not entirely successful. The lifting hooks or "padeys," two on each side of the submarine amidships, were found acceptable for attachment to pontoons by divers even though the divers were against a not completely successful test. But only the test could be

brought to the surface, as a tank in the motor room aft held the vessel down by the stern.

MR. HOOVER had a pleasant journey on the U. S. S. Utah from Montevideo to Rio de Janeiro, reaching the Brazilian metropolis Friday afternoon. His reception and entertainment there all he could ask in the way of friendliness and enthusiasm. He announced on the warship that he would leave Rio December 23 and would proceed directly to Florida. His decision to cut out the projected visits to Havana, Santo Domingo and Mexico City was due to his desire to get back to the United States and in touch with the situation here. Whether he will land at Key West or Miami was not announced. The President-Elect will occupy the J. C. Penney place, a beautiful estate on a small island at Miami Beach, and there rest up and prepare for his inauguration. The Cubans were especially disappointed when they heard Mr. Hoover would not visit them. Elaborate preparations already were under way in Havana. Radio dispatches from the Utah said Mr. Hoover would go to the Cuban capital before taking office, and might also go to Texas and Mexico before March 4.

KING GEORGE gained steadily, if slowly, throughout the week in his brave fight against death. The physicians said both general and local conditions were better, but they warned the public against over-optimism with the reminder that the ruler's recovery depends on a continued improvement rather than isolated gains. That there was some relaxation in the tension of anxiety was shown by the fact that the prince of Wales went to the Ruff club to see the squash rackets finals, and the queen, Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles visited the London zoo.

In the Lancel, leading medical journal, appeared a technical review of the king's illness which concluded with this paragraph: "It will be apparent to medical men that not only the severity and length of the infection but exhaustion resulting therefrom must make progress slow and difficult. At the same time the dangerous phases of the illness have been surmounted and there are increasingly solid grounds for hoping for his recovery as a result of this long and anxious struggle."

The statement reveals that the king has had periods of delirium. The employment of ultraviolet rays is believed to have already proved beneficial.

KING AMANULLAH of Afghanistan is having a hard time introducing occidental customs into his country. A considerable part of his people is in rebellion against his westernizing program, and in the eastern district of Jelalabad they also are revolting against taxes and laws requiring certain of the tribesmen to carry identification papers. The news from Afghanistan is rather vague, but British heard that the rebels had captured two forts overlooking the capital Kabul.

CHARLES C. HART, American minister to Albania, presented his credentials last week, and the United States thereby formally recognized the new royal regime of Zog, who made himself king. The ceremony, in the shabby little capital, Tirana, was conducted with military pomp at the king's palace.

DELEGATES to the international aviation conference and hundreds of air-minded citizens journeyed to Kitty Hawk, N. C., to do honor to Orville Wright, the first man to fly in a powered airplane, and to help lay the cornerstone for a government memorial to the Wright brothers on top of Kill Devil hill at the spot from which they took off in their epochal first flight twenty-five years ago. A huge granite boulder with appropriate inscription was unveiled. Tributes to the Wrights was paid by Secretary of War D. C. Hoover, Governor of North Carolina and Senator Hiram Bingham, president of the National Aeronautical association.

THAT murder of Arnold Rothstein, gambler and highly objectionable person, finally brought about a crisis in New York police affairs. Joseph A. Warren, police commissioner, was forced out of office and Mayor Jimmy Walker appointed Grover A. Whalen to succeed him. The new official started in by making many dismissals and demotions of commanding officers. Whalen was secretary of Mayor Hylan for a time, and ever since then has been chairman of the mayor's committee for the reception of distinguished guests. In that capacity he has been almost continuously riding about the streets in parades with prominent personages.

HARRY F. SINCLAIR filed in the United States Supreme court a brief presenting arguments why he should not be required to serve a three-months' jail sentence for contempt in refusing to answer questions of a senate committee on the naval affairs.

Sinclair contended that the government, having initiated proceedings against him on charges of conspiracy to defraud in connection with his Teapot Dome lease, could not compel him to give information before the senate committee which might be used to his disadvantage in the trial of the case. He also asserted the senate had lost jurisdiction in his case by turning it over to the courts, and declared that Senator Walsh had no right to ask the questions which he, Sinclair, refused to answer.

JAPAN's first national parliament elected under the new manhood suffrage law is about to meet, and the government prepared for presentation the largest budget in the country's history. For the fiscal year, 1936-37, it totals 1,733,000,000 yen (approximately \$308,380,000), representing an increase over the current year of 48,700,000 yen. The budget for the navy calls for 288,000,000 yen, an increase of 5,800,000, and for the army 228,000,000 yen, an increase of 7,700,000.

There were prospects of a bitter

political conflict in the diet over the empire's relations with China and on domestic tax issues. Premier Tanaka's majority in parliament is so slim that his government may fall at any time.

ELINOR WYLLIE, well-known poet and novelist, and the wife of William Ross Benet, poet, died in New York of a paralytic stroke at the age of forty-two years. She was the daughter of Henry M. Hoyt, solicitor general under President Taft, and was previously the wife of P. A. Hichborn and of Horace Wyllie.

Candy Industry Goes Back to Hippocrates

Physicians among the ancient Greeks and Romans utilized the bee's honey in preparing their medicines. In fact, the manufacture of candy traces its origin back to the days of Hippocrates, father of medicine, who lived in the fifth century B. C. In those days doctors' remedies for human ills consisted of doses of bitter herbs. In order to tickle the palate of his rich patients, Hippocrates smeared a little honey on the edge of the cup containing the medicine, and later on coated his pills with similar substances, thus comforting his patients and, no doubt, also increasing his fees.

Little did Hippocrates think that he was destined to go down to fame, not only as the father of medicine but as one of the originators of the art of candy-making.

From this quaint origin the candy industry has progressed to such an extent that it is now one of the world's leading industries. Its production involves labor in all parts of the world and employs every means of transportation known to man.—Exchange.

Idea of Human Flight Long in Minds of Men

The desire to conquer the air and emulate the birds is no modern fancy, but has agitated the minds of men mechanically inclined for ages. Records of a meeting of the Royal Society, held in London in 1679, give the information that "Mr. Hooke read a paper containing a description of the way of flying, invented and practiced by one Mong. Hensler, a smith, the contrivance of which consisted in ordering four wings folding and shutting to be moved by his hands before and his legs behind by which he was, it was said, able to fly from a high place across a river to a pretty distance." One of the members of the Royal society apparently cast some doubt upon the practicability of the invention. "Mr. Henshaw conceived that by reason of the weakness of a man's arms for such kind of motions, it would be much more probable to make a churche of or such like machine with springs and wheels, that should serve to carry one or more men in it to and guide it."

Chrysanthemum
The name is from the Greek chryso, meaning gold, and anthemon, meaning flower. In Christian tradition, this flower is supposed to have been born on the first Christmas, being the token to the three wise men that they had reached the spot whether the star had hidden them.

It is in reality, however, of Chinese origin, and was made the official flower of Japan as early as the fourteenth century. It symbolized perfection. It is now grown in more than 6,000 varieties, and is so popular in this country that men have paid \$10,000 for a fresh form of the Japanese flower.

"Woodchuck" From Indian

"Woodchuck" as applied to the groundhog, is not a compound of "wood" and "chuck," as commonly supposed. It is a corruption of the Indian word "wuchuck," meaning "one who digs." "Wuchuck" is a name applied to this animal by hunters, trappers and traders in the Hudson Bay region. Supposedly, the word is derived from the Cree "wuchuk" or the Chipewa "wuchuk," which was applied to the fisher by the Indians, and which was transferred to the groundhog by the whites. According to the bureau of American ethnology, in the far north of the Hudson's Bay company, the skins of groundhogs have long been known as "woodchucks."

Doing Well

A household with trouble with the shower in his bathroom and plumbers were called in.

After an hour or more, hearing no sounds of activity from the bathroom, the household proceeded to the scene of operations. Opening the door, he found the plumber and his mate seated on the bath, engrossed in a copy of the evening paper.

"Well," he said suspiciously, "how are you fellows getting on?"

"Fine," said the plumber, removing his pipe. "We've got a couple of winners this afternoon."—London Times.

Work Up to a Capot

The junior clerk in the British navy begins his official life in a very bare office, with a hard chair to sit on, and a writing table that is nothing but a collapsible sheet. There is no place to keep his papers nor carpet on the floor.

His next promotion is to a table with a couple of drawers, but it is not until he has some several things up the ladder and in receipt of a salary exceeding \$300 a year that he can claim a real desk with lockable drawers.

Only officials in receipt of at least £1,000 a year are allowed carpets in their room.

Cathedral Dimensions.

The length of the cathedral of St. John the Divine (Episcopal), New York—631 feet—is greater than that of Amiens, which is 521 feet long. The height is 311 feet; that of Amiens is 167 feet, and Milan, which is 160 feet.

Human Life Expended to Produce Fine Lace

Almost every country in Europe knows something of the delicate art of lace making. Egypt also knew it, and other peoples of the Orient. Italy was probably the first to make the almost priceless needle-point, from a thread so carefully spun that an ounce is worth \$2,000. Of the same thread, though less fine in texture, was made the beautiful Valenciennes lace so greatly prized by Marie Antoinette and her highborn milkmaids. The finest needle-point is done with a thread of cobweb fineness, the pattern drawn on parchment. Finest laces are still made in damp underground rooms, to preserve the thread, only one ray of light being admitted, to fall directly upon the work. Among the church treasures of France and Italy are beautiful altar cloths and other laces, which the visitor is often told are the work of monks and devoted nuns who spent their needle in dark and dampness underground until they became blind or died of consumption or some kind of disease.

Irish crochet is made under more cheerful circumstances, by peasants sitting at their cottage doors. The work is done with very fine hooks and hard-twisted cotton thread over a "design drawn" on cambric. The laces are based on and crocheted round.

Odd Duties Assigned to Royal Attendants

"Beefeaters" have been a fixed institution at St. James' palace since the reign of Henry VII. According to king's regulations they must have heard on state occasions. At certain intervals they have to report to the palace adjutant for beard inspection. In the Middle Ages Beefeaters used to protect and attend the sovereign and it was their duty to taste and cook all food served to him. They also had to make the king's bed. The "Trompet Bedchambers" staffed the mattress and arranged the curtains, while the "Yomen Bedchambers" rolled on the bed to see that it was well made. The letters X. B. H. and Y. B. G. are still subject to certain names on the roll. Since their institution the costume of the Beefeaters has varied very little, and the large buff and neck-still-former a very important part of it.—Montreal Family Herald.

Holmes Pine Protected

The purchase of an estate with a proviso that a certain pine tree upon it must not be cut down or removed has been recorded at Pittsburgh.

The estate, once famous as the summer home of Oliver Wendell Holmes, is known as Holmesdale. One of the restrictions in the deed is the following pertaining to an historic old pine in Canoe Meadows: "Subject to the restriction which the grantee agrees, for himself, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns to observe to wit:

"That the tree known as the Holmes pine, standing by itself in the meadows to the south of the homestead, should be allowed to stand as long as the course of nature permits, and that it shall never be cut down or moved while it remains in a live and healthy condition."—Boston Post.

Sounded Inhospital

In 1830, William H. Seward visited Minnesota in company with Charles Francis Adams and Senator James W. Nye. The citizens of St. Anthony, wishing to receive the distinguished statesman in a becoming manner, appointed a committee to meet the guests and escort them into town. After waiting some time, the committee learned that the party had reached town by another route, and returning to the hotel, were introduced to Mr. Seward. The spokesman, a lawyer of the place, after a few brief remarks, said: "Mr. Seward, we are very sorry, indeed, that we did not have the opportunity of escorting you into town, but we beg to assure you that we shall take great pleasure in escorting you out of it."—Detroit News.

All in Italy

Here is history in stone and canvas, here are meadows of the soul like Rome or Assisi, which Dante called "the garden of the Peninsula," and then "the Galilee of Italy." Here for the literary wanderer is the road to Arque, with its vine-clad hillsides, that Petrarch, lover of Laura, so enjoyed; here you may find with Byron along the banks of the Brenta or on the hillsides of Este and enjoy with "Childe Harold" the "faintest garden of the world." Here is Michelangelo and Raphael, and Colonna and the birthplaces of the great Renaissance. If you want all of Europe in one country, take "an Italian journey."—Exchange.

Easily Settled

The senior partner arrived to see the outer office occupied by seven men, each of whom wished him a very good morning.

"What's all that crowd doing out there?" he asked his junior in the private office a few seconds later.

"Well, you know we wanted an efficient and capable clerk," I advised, and there they are."

"H'm," murmured the other. "How do you intend to pick your man out of my boy?"

"Oh, easy—I imagine the brightest of them will find some way of getting rid of the other six."

This Way Out

Talking of "gate-crashers," numerous yarns are being circulated regarding those possessors of perverted intelligence. One of the best concerns a hostess who observed among her guests a strange gentleman who had not been invited. Her tactics were superb. She approached the intruder and said: "Waiter, tell the butler that there is an uninvited man present and instruct him to have the person shown out."—Sporting and Dramatic News.



1—Anxious Londoners outside Buckingham palace, watching bulletins on King George's condition. 2—George V (with raised hand) taking the oath as President of Mexico at his inauguration. 3—George L. Harrison made governor of the Federal Reserve bank of New York to succeed the late Benjamin Strong.

Display of Learning Unseemly for Women?

Dr. John Gregory, a Scotch physician and a master student of human nature, left a bit of shrewd and sophisticated writing in "A Father's Legacy to His Daughters," which he published in 1797. For reasons best known to themselves, the ladies may be interested in his admonishments. "Be ever cautious in displaying your good sense. It will be thought you assume a superiority over the rest of the company. But if you happen to have any learning, keep it a profound secret, especially from the men, who generally look with a jealous and malignant eye on a woman with good parts and a cultivated understanding. "A man with real genius and can't be so far superior to his meanness. But such a one will seldom fall in your way; and if by accident he should, do not be anxious to show the full extent of your knowledge. If he has any opportunities of seeing you, he will soon discover it himself; and if you have any advantages of person or manner, and keep your secret, he will probably give you credit for a great deal more than you possess."—Detroit News.

Novelist's Hard Luck Didn't Escape Notice

Novelist Union Sinclair said at a New York reception: "We novelists should never frequent high society. We are out of place there, and all kinds of awkward accidents happen to us. "A young American novelist was invited to dine with the duchess of Marlborough. He wore at the dinner one of those made-up ties that fasten to the collar button with a rubber loop, and the meal had hardly begun when this rubber loop worked loose and the novelist's tie dropped into his soup.

"He fished it out with thumb and finger and laid it beside his plate. Then he began to debate with him self whether or not he should wipe it dry and put it on again. One thing was fortunate, anyhow—nobody seemed to have noticed his trouble.

"In the midst of his deliberation the butler bent over him, pointed his finger at the tie and said in a loud voice: "Have you quite done with this, sir?"—Detroit Free Press.

Peculiarity of Mankind

Human nature often manifests itself in ways that puzzle the scientist, dealing primarily with material rather than mental research, according to chemists in the laboratories of the United States Department of Agriculture. As an example, one points out the history of efforts that led up to passage of the federal food and drugs act. At a comparatively early date the chemists advocated and secured passage of laws requiring manufacturers of fertilizers to state accurately the constituents of the products they marketed. They next worked for the passage of similar laws controlling the purity of cattle feeds, and then finally of human foods. "Strange as it may seem," the chemist observes, "the control of the quality of the products used by man himself is always the last and most difficult to secure."

Converted by Airplane

An intelligent African was greatly shaken in his belief in Islam through recently seeing several airplanes visiting Zaria and the interior of his country. The sight of them convinced this man that the Moslem belief was indeed false, since "amongst other things it teaches the solidity of the earth above." This caused a thorough disturbance in the spectator's mind, and there is good reason to believe he will soon be turned to Christianity. He has written to his loved ones, yet desires to abide in every lowly belief which yields to this love.—Montreal Family Herald.

For Bread and Butter

Herewith the whole of an affectionate letter written after the lapse of a week by a boy to camp who, the old folks feared, might be suffering from homesickness: "Dear Dad: This is one of the real periods when you are supposed to rest and write letters home. This is one of the letters. I would probably not have written so soon, but to get into the dining room tonight I have to have written a letter home. It is about dinner time, now, so must close. Your son Bill."

Ever Think of That?

You think it is married life is a hell only in localities where all life is a failure.—Nashville Tennessean.

FREDERIC NEWS

A Christmas tree at the church Monday night with a program. "All did fine. The Barber family were all here to spend Christmas—Ed and wife of Chicago Heights, Elton, Elwood and Elroy of Flint. The Dornier family of Waters were called here last week. This Tuesday morning the remains of Kenneth Goshorn arrived on the train from Northville where he was taken with pneumonia. The family are coming by auto. They were visiting in the south part of the state. Ed. Sye has been stationed at St. Charles and Mr. Gunther is our general agent at present. Two men bought a horse and now to divide the spoils satisfactory to the two buyers and the seller! Ralph Cline of Rosecommon is here to spend the holidays with his sisters Lillian and Helen. Mrs. Walter Wheeler was called to Standish by the death of her father last Saturday. Elmer Patterson of Jackson came Tuesday to be in attendance at the funeral of Kenneth Goshorn.

Wine Cross Country Run

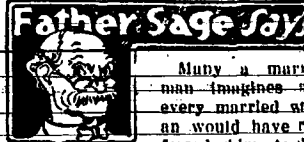
MR. CHARLES SLEEMAN

Those who have lost faith in medicines; who fear there is no help in sight; who may be tempted to give up, are asked to learn about Konjola, that is winning victory upon victory over the most obstinate cases. Take that of Mr. Charles E. Sleeman, well known Pere Marquette employee of R. R. No. 10, Grand Rapids, for instance. "Every medicine I tried had failed to give the slightest relief," he writes. "No wonder I had lost faith in all of them. But Konjola brought me the most wonderful surprise of my life. I suffered with pneumonia, and though I combated this disease, I was in a terrible condition when I was able to get out of bed. Then the sciatic nerve became affected. I was just about to give up completely, when I was prevailed upon to try Konjola. Three bottles did the work. Headaches disappeared, my bowels began to function normally and I was better in every way. Soon strength returned, and I was able to get back on the job. When I think that one medicine made a real man from a complete wreck in such a short time, I am lost in amazement. Surely the person who called Konjola the master medicine knew what he was talking about."

Konjola is sold in Grayling at the Mac & Gidley drug store and by all the best druggists in all towns throughout this entire section.

Leads in Stenographers

The Civil Service commission says the United States government employs the largest number of stenographers of any organization in the world.



Many a married man imagines that every married man would have referred him to be man she married if they had only met sooner.

CREATING A MARKET

GOOEY markets close at hand mean high prices for farm property and products of the farm. This market is in reality a service station supplying the needs of all the people of this community, making available to all needed merchandise, and the services of lawyer, doctor, minister and many others.

This market is the logical assembling place of the farmers' products for world consumption. Being close at hand it saves the long haul, enables the farmer to quickly market his products at favorable prices.

The people of this community should take an active part in its affairs, support the local schools, the churches, the community associations and the local business men who are here to serve you. They have invested their capital in this community and in large measure pay the taxes which support our schools, and the worthwhile enterprises of this community.

The most festive news and advertising medium in this community is the

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